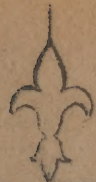


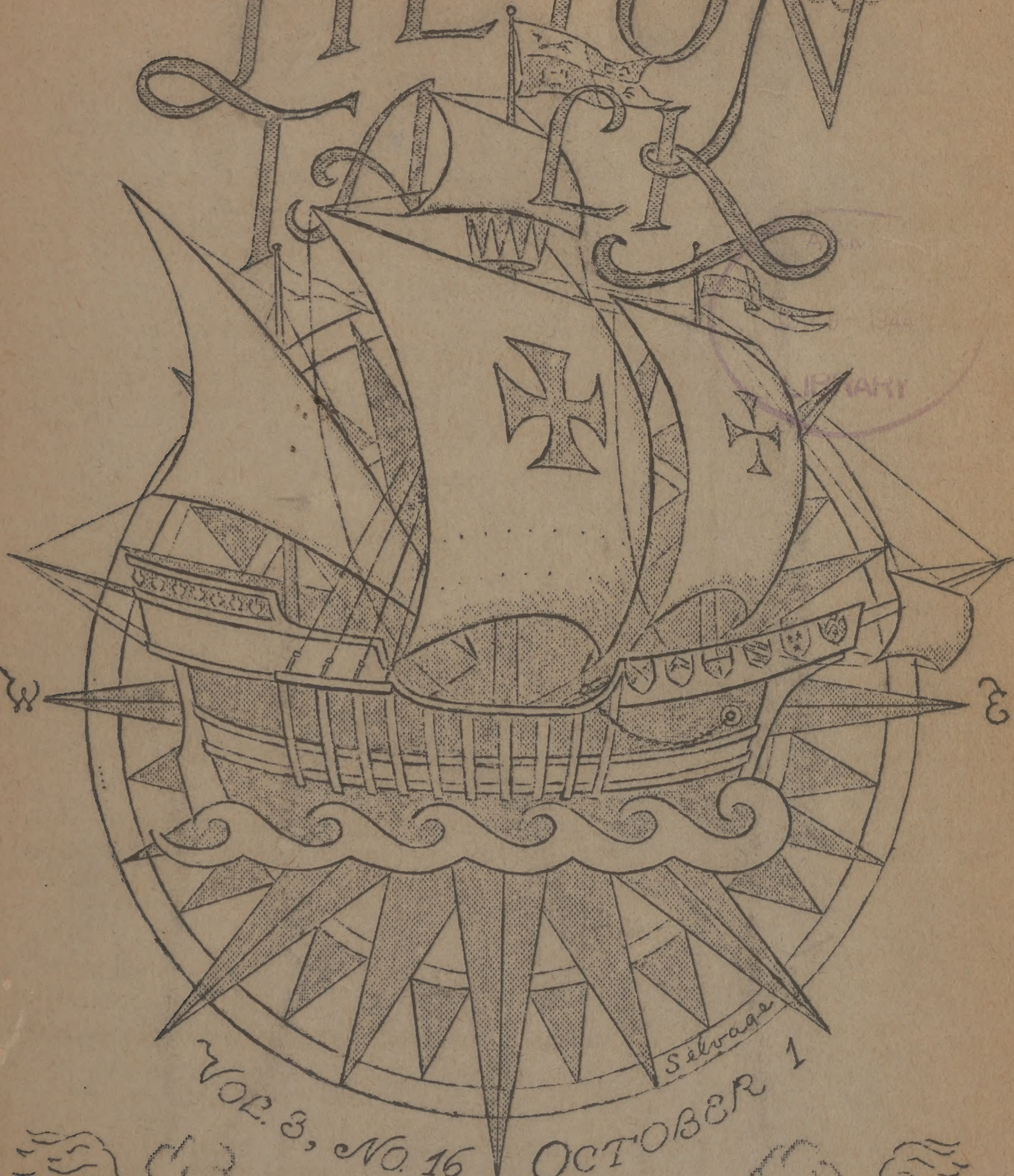
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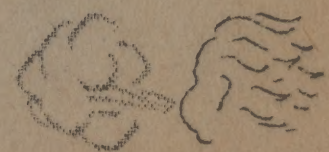
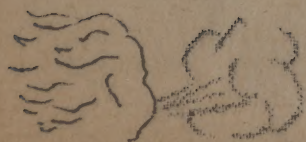
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Among the mighty men of all time, whom we of America have a special interest in, is Columbus the Navigator, born in 1451 and living just about half a century--having died in 1506. His life is more like a dream than a reality. Poor, and with very little political prestige, he gained access to the Court of Isabella, Queen of Spain. He talked of new horizons--new continents; looked upon as a dreamer, his faith in his God never wavered, and in chains he still held to the idea of a new and greater continent. Columbus finally won his point, and again, truth is indeed stranger than fiction. He sailed from Genoa and had the happiness of sighting land, the Bahamas, on October 11, 1492. Now, over four hundred years later, we are proud to honor that great Italian and his undying faith in his belief.

A short time ago I received a letter from the dear mother of Captain Willibald Bianchi, a man of the same race as Columbus. Her son had been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism on Bataan and here are a few lines from that letter:

"I know we must have trust in God. Now is the time to pray and pray as hard as we have never prayed before so that our dear Lord will see fit to bring our boys back home safe and sound in body and soul very soon."

In attending the radio program "This Is Fort Dix," here at Tilton last Sunday, I saw the same mighty spirit that led Columbus and that has given us heroes without number in every great crisis of our Beloved Country. I listened with bated breath to those heroes who are with us today here in Tilton General Hospital as they told their inspiring stories to the nation.

If Tojo and Schicklegruber could hear that broadcast, they would realize that sooner or later those young Americans will make peace when--and only when--their bayonets are glistening in the streets of Tokyo and Berlin.

JAMES J. A. TROY  
Lt. Col., Chaplain

Tilton General Hospital was honored on Tuesday, September 28th, by a visit from Major General Thomas A. Terry, Commanding General, Second Service Command. Complete with motorcylce and MP escort, General Terry made a general inspection of the hospital including the WAC area.



# LT. E. A. HOWARD, DETACHMENT COMMANDER, GRACE SCHORR WED IN TRENTON

Lt. Edgar A. Howard, Detachment Commander, 1257 SCSU, Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, New Jersey said "I do" at exactly 5 P.M. Saturday, October 2, 1943 as he married Grace Schorr, of Rochester, New York.

The ceremony was performed in Trenton, New Jersey at the home of Miss Katherine M. Ryan, Chief Clerk, Civilian Personnel, Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, New Jersey with whom the bride resides.

Captain George D. Lessley, Protestant Chaplain of TGH, officiated in the presence of Miss Helen C. Turnbull and Mr. S. Jay Turnbull Jr. who represented the Commanding Officer, Tilton General Hospital, Colonel S. Jay Turnbull and Mrs. Turnbull who were unable to attend. Also present were a few intimate friends of the couple. Mrs. John R. Baldes served as Matron of Honor with Major Baldes, TGH Adjutant, acting as Best Man.

Following the wedding, a buffet supper was served. The bride and groom attended a party at the Officers' Club during the evening, before leaving on a honeymoon to Chicago, Illinois, Rochester, New York, and New York City.

Lt. Howard came to Tilton in March, 1943 after graduating from Medical Administration Officers' Candidate School at Camp Barksdale, Texas. A native of Chicago, he attended public schools there and later graduated from the Univ. of Illinois and John Marshall Law School in Chicago. He passed the Illinois state bar exams in 1934. Lt. Howard went into investment and real estate work in Chicago until he entered the army at Camp Grant, Ill. in June 1942. He left for OCS in December.

At Tilton, Lt. Howard was Ass't Adjutant and Ass't Personnel Officer before becoming Detachment Commander in June.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE HOSP. INSPECTOR

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"It was a pleasure to watch the Detachment go through the activities of the Fire Drill problem. Had it been a real fire--as it may be some day--you would have saved many lives and you would be extremely proud of yourselves that you rescued those fire casualties. By the same reasoning, I say to you that any soldier who prepares himself for these fire disasters--although they may never come--can be equally proud of himself. We all made many mistakes. We did many things wrong that must be corrected, but if you continue to show the spirit of cooperation that you did that day, then it will be easy to straighten those mistakes out. None of our errors was so big that study and practice and discipline cannot correct them.

"You can see now that you have a responsibility when you remain on the Post on Company at night. You are a fire guard and are expected to save these patients in case of fire. One of the visitors who watched the drill said, 'You have a darn good Detachment. They are alert and enthusiastic.' Thanks for your cooperation."

CECIL E. MILLER, Capt., Med. Corps.  
Hospital Inspector.

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**BEG PARDON:** We regret that we have been unable to publish this issue on time due to delay in the shipment of mimeograph paper---THE EDITOR.

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**IF YOU'RE NOT A WAC, DON'T READ THIS:** You gals who think the overseas cap becomes you more than the regulation WAC hat does are safe on the post, but don't wear the overseas cap off the hospital grounds. MPs have been instructed to pick up Wacs who are not wearing the official WAC hat with the visor. So watch your step.



# WHAT A MESS!

by Cpl. T. P. Key, Jr.  
Parsley, parsley everywhere  
Even on my bill of fare  
Now listen, Captain, I don't care,  
But damn, I want my victuals bare!

It has been said, and rightly so, that the Army travels on its stomach. There have been many requests from Tiltonites for further information about their Tilton Mess Department. So here goes, guys and gals.

The mess is divided into two sections: Mess Procurement and the Messes proper. These sections are capably managed by Captain F. W. Smith, MAC. All purchases are made through the Fort Dix Commissary and outside concerns by the Procurement Section. The purchasing of dry goods, vegetables, and meat products is handled by W.O. (jg.) Ernest Poly and his staff which includes Sgt. Richard Mantel, T/5 Simon Morris, Pfc. Edward McLean, Pfc. Glenn Gibson, Pfc. Angelo D'Agostino, and Pvt. Dan Manfredo. Each individual mess orders for its own needs. Meat and vegetable products are delivered in the morning to allow for longer preparation while dry stores are delivered in the afternoon.



The messes are manned by qualified dietitians, mess sergeants, cooks, bakers, butchers, and attendants. Directly responsible for maintaining efficient messes are S/Sgt. Gerard Girard, of the Detachment Mess; S/Sgts Fred Tripodo and John J. Tremark of Patients' Mess, Lt. Fannie White, WAC, assisted by T/4 Albert Franzson, Pvts. Temple and Kane, of officer-patients mess #1, Lt. Eleanor Waldman, HD, assisted by Pvt. Ann Ireland, of officer-patients mess #2, which is the Nurses' Mess.

Each meal consists of 20% protein, 20% carbohydrate, and 60% protective foods. An average of 3,000 to 4,000 calories are consumed each day per individual. All records of transactions are prepared in the mess office. These records include daily costs and incomes, patient and detachment census, and monthly statements of accounts. Those responsible for operating the mess office are Mrs. Tannebaum, Cpl. T. P. Key Jr., Pfc. Laurene Sorgatz, and Pvt. Arthur Posner.

VICTUALS ARE VITAL. Good eating!!!



## FROM CAPTAIN "D"'S NOTEBOOK

Judge: You say you threw your wife out the third story window through forgetfulness?

Defendant: Yes, your honor. We used to live on the ground floor and I forgot we had moved.

Captain: All hands on deck. The ship is leaking.

Voice from

forecastle: Aw, put a pan under it and go back to bed!

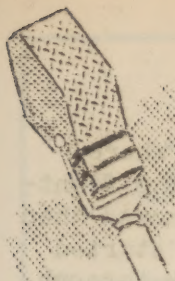
It is much easier for the landlord to raise the rent than it is for the tenant.

The country boy said it was a long way to his girl's house and he always walked over---but her father usually drove him home.

If you want to hear something great---rub two sheets of sand paper together.

They say old maids wear cotton gloves because they have no kids.






# WOUNDED PATIENTS DESCRIBE EXPERIENCES ON "This Is Fort Dix"

by CPL. ROBERT L. GEIGER

Last Sunday's program of "This Is Fort Dix," over the Mutual Network was broadcast from the Patients' Recreation Hall here at Tilton and in connection with the Third War Loan Drive, featured the stories of battle and heroism of six patients who were wounded in action.



Featured was 1st Sgt. Herbert Merrill, of Ward 11, a veteran of 25½ years of army service, who has been wounded twice in this war and wears citations ranging from the Silver Star, and Legion of Merit to the North African campaign ribbon with two bronze and one silver star signifying seven major engagements. Tom Slater, director of the program, in interviewing Sgt. Merrill over a coast-to-coast hookup, said, "Here is one of the most pleasant and interesting soldiers I've had the pleasure of meeting in my 144 weeks at Fort Dix." Sgt. Merrill's fighting spirit and good humor were evident over the air. He told his story simply. As a 1st Sgt. in the 1st Division, Merrill was first wounded by a bullet which clipped the back of his head shortly after the invasion of North Africa last November. After getting first aid, he returned to the fight at Arecole and Oran. His second wound came during fighting in the Mateur area of Tunisia. As Sgt. Merrill put it, "I was wounded when we were attacking the Jerries holding Hill 350. My outfit went on to take the hill and receive the compliments of General Eisenhower's Chief of Staff for advancing under such great fire. I was hit in the head with an artillery shell fragment. It blew about half the top of my head off." His injuries at one time paralyzed him completely, but now he is on the road to recovery. Ben Gross, the N.Y. Daily News radio columnist said in the Sept. 27th issue, "I have rarely heard a more thrilling story.....a wounded soldier who is buying bonds and more bonds."

Slater urged listeners to buy bonds and then write to the station or to Sgt. Merrill himself and tell about their purchases. Still unable to walk, the Sgt. manages to buy a \$50. bond a month out of his army pay.

Among the other patients who appeared were S/Sgt. Warren Gortze, Ward 7, Pvt. Vincent Policastro, Ward 10, Pfc. Raymond Robitaille, Ward 5, and Pfc. John Valentic, Ward 24. Sgt. Gortze has already been wounded twice in this war and participated in the invasions of both North Africa and Sicily; he received the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster here two weeks ago. Pvt. Policastro, speaking from a wheelchair because he is partially paralyzed from wounds sustained overseas, described his part in the Sicilian invasion; "The excitement started when we left Tunis for Sicily. Everywhere you looked you saw ships....a transport, a destroyer.....I went across the Mediterranean on one of those small invasion boats, the LOIs, and I was so busy getting ashore in the deep water that I didn't have any time to look around. Our boat couldn't get too near shore and when we jumped into the water, it was almost up to my chin. With all the equipment we were carrying, I thought I would go under and drown several times." But he made it to the beach and fought for eight more days before a mortar shell fragment got him.



Valentic described his experiences using anti-tank guns against the Germans and concluded with a heroic story of a fellow-soldier whom he did not know who just

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"THIS IS FORT DIX"--Continued.

about saved his life: "I don't know where this soldier is today or even where his home town or folks are over here, but he's probably in the thick of the fighting. His name is Chester Machewski. I had started to crawl along the ground when he got to me; he lifted me up on his back--sort of piggy-back style--and started down the hill with me. He was unarmed and had to run with me on his back through a hail of fire which was hitting all around us. He got me to safety in a shelter under a small ridge where I was given first aid. I wish he could hear this broadcast so he'd know how much I appreciate what he did for me."

2d Lt. Elizabeth K. Frank, a Tilton nurse who has been overseas, told about life among Army nurses in Africa and Pfc. Ruth McDaniel, of the TGH WAC Detachment finished off the program.

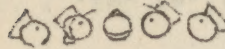
The musical side was handled by the Tilton General Hospital orchestra under T/4 Jack Schwartz. Their program consisted of "The Volga Boatmen," with Cpl. Harry Gordon soloing on the saxophone, "Sunday, Monday, or Always," sung by Sgt. Don Conant, and a smooth medley of George Gershwin tunes featuring Schwartz at the piano: "The Man I Love," "Embraceable You," and "Lady Be Good." A capacity audience of patients, detachment men, Wacs, officers, and civilian visitors jammed the Rec. Hall to the rafters.

## THE BAND BOX

by T/4 Jack Schwartz

Since the Wacs have come to Tilton, interest in Special Service activities has grown considerably. The Detachment boys and girls are constantly asking questions about the band, dances, parties, and shows, and because the boys in the band are right in the thick of these activities, they want to take this opportunity to say that they would be only too happy to answer any questions you may care to ask. Thanks, fellas.



 Pfc. Murray Eder tells us that the band boys have unanimously chosen Bettie Young as their favorite fan. She never misses a rehearsal, broadcast, or dance.

The Detachment dance was held on Sept. 24th and it turned out to be a very pleasant affair. Ask Pvt. Lawrence Becker to show you that picture of 1st Sgt. McCarroll playing the host to a pretty Wac. The party was climaxed by the announcement of S/Sgt. Dan Troiani's birthday. At midnight, the band struck up the theme song and another dance was over.

"This Is Fort Dix" again originated at Tilton last Sunday. This time the band entertained the patients and visitors for one half hour before broadcast time. Pfc. John Tenk played Harry James' arrangement of Ciri Biri Bin, and Sgt. Don Conant sang "You'll Never Know." Both renditions were well received by the audience.

Bigger and better shows, broadcasts, parties, and dances are being planned for the enlisted personnel at Tilton. If anyone at all feels that he or she has any talent and would like to participate in some entertaining, let us know what you can do.



# Fire Drill ~



TENK ~ "HOW MUCH DO YOU WEIGH?"





"Agatha's" Successor—  
Like?



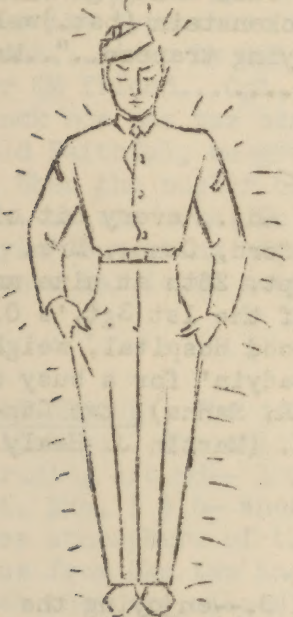


# PORTRAIT OF AN UNSUNG (UNTIL NOW) HERO.

by Pvt. Arthur R. Posner

The sirens wailed and the whistles shrilled on that fateful day of 22 September 1943. Air raid alarm!

From barracks, wards and offices poured forth the collective manpower of the Detachment Medical Department of TGH, all bent on performing their appointed duties. And down the long hospital corridor in gigantic leaping lengths loped the hero of this little tale, Pfc. Carl D. Mace. His jaw grim and tense, he speeded to his place in the assembly formation in front of Barracks #1. Duty was calling, and she would not find Pfc. Mace lacking.



The notes of the red signal had barely died down when Lt. E. A. Howard issued his first order. The group with which our hero was allied was ordered to crawl underneath the ramp, there to hibernate until the all-clear sounded.

Pfc. Mace looked around. Everybody else was wearing fatigues, while he, by the very nature of his job, was resplendently arrayed in newly-pressed sun tans. Pfc. Mace shot a quick glance at the dark, dismal and dank place under the ramp. Pfc. Mace's face blanched. To say the least, prospects did not look inviting at all, at all.

Now the group started forward to obey Lt. Howard's order. That is, all but our hero. He made certain shuffling movement with his feet but attained no noticeable forward progress. In fact, he definitely lagged.

But not for long, however. The sterner stuff of which men are made shoved its way to the fore in Pfc. Mace. No longer did he turn an appealing face to the detachment commander. His step quickened and with set jaw he prepared to climb under the ramp. Even if it meant soiling his sun tans, Pfc. Mace prepared to follow his superior's orders.

But like most tales, this has a happy ending. Just as Pfc. Mace was stooping over to crawl under the ramp, a further order came to the effect that only those in fatigue clothes need go under. Thus relieved at the last possible moment, Pfc. Mace bounded back into line, once again prepared to do what was required of him. ....And.....thassall, chum!

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**BOOKKEEPING STUDIED BY SOLDIER IN FOXHOLE:** Madison, Wis.. (CNS)—A bookkeeper in a foxhole—that is what buddies of S/Sgt. Donald J. Clement called him. Sgt. Clement, who is throwing punches at the enemy overseas, finds time to study courses in bookkeeping and accounting from the United States Armed Forces Institute, the official War Department correspondence school here in which over 60,000 service men and service women are taking courses.



LEAVES

FROM

A NOTEBOOK

by S/Sgt. Alfred  
Ciaburri

at random.....

TILTONALITIES: Major J. R. Baldes, the Adjutant--giving the snappiest salute as AOD, at retreat...M/Sgt. Bill Lavery, of Hq., puffing at a big cigar, amateurishly...Bob Geiger, the new Corporal, rushing thru the hospital, distributing the Fort Dix Post. Capt. Paul B. Henon, the PRO, in a pow-wow with the Wacs, lecturing on "Safeguarding Military Information."....Sgt. Jack Cohen, the orthopedic "magic hand," crooning softly: "Picture on My Bureau."....Pvt. Lawrence S. Becker, "our" photographer, busy with his camera during "This Is Fort Dix" last Sunday afternoon...Lt. Sid Liswood, bidding farewell to his many friends before leaving for a new post...Pfc. (now Cpl.) Patricia M. Terhune, the Colonel's secretary, showing the photograph of her little boy now in a military school...Pvt. Robert Jacob (pat.) who has Ward 20 agog over his nightly visits from a pretty Trenton blond...Pfc. Paul Fleckenstein (pat.) well trussed up in traction--refers to himself as "the man on the flying trapeze..."..Mrs. Doug Munnikhuysen (the former Betty Turnbull)--a Tilton visitor....

THE NEW GENERATION: Lt. Walter S. Schreiner, MAC, the assistant Adj., every bit of his six-foot frame beaming...Reason: At Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Conn., Mrs. Schreiner gave birth to a baby girl, 8 lbs, 8 oz. on Sunday, Sept. 26th at nine am.. The name: Karen Linn...Another proud papa: Cpl. Nick Gentile, of the 1st Sgt.'s O. announces the arrival of a baby girl--Catherine, born in Englewood Hospital, weighing 7 3/4 lbs...The stork over the Tilton family seems to be readyin' for a busy day but soon...On his list are the households of one Major (Edward A. Hanna), two Captains (John J. Conley and Charles A. Bohnengel), and one Lieut. (Martin J. Healy Jr. There are more, but (we are told), "it isn't sure yet.".....

THIS IS-FORT DIX: Hugh Hermann, youthful son of Lt. Col. Harold B.--enjoying the broadcast immensely last Sabbath...With his brother John, Hugh is a great booster of our camp paper and looks forward to each issue....(Thanks boys!)..There was a crowd (interested, too) at the radio show originating from TGH, and Tom Slater of WOR, did OK...The program turned out very well...It couldn't have been for a better cause...Fan mail pouring in to the patients who related their experiences overseas.. One report was received on the spot that a Bond was bought even before the radio program was over...Lt. Col. James Troy, the Chaplain, pledged a \$50. Bond right then and there...First Sgt. Herbert Merrill, of Ward 11, the "star" of the broadcast, got an awful lot of fan letters from well wishers who promised to buy more bonds and bye bye the Axis...

A \$500. BOND: Yes...This one in honor of Sgt. Merrill was bought by Albert N. Pitt, Lieut., Commanding Public Safety Bureau, Nassau County Police Dept., L.I., N.Y..The letter of the Police Lt. was very "touching" says the Sergeant..In it, there was a bit of Heaven, a prayer which Lt. Pitt says has helped him in many a mission: "Dear God: Permit me to light the lamps along the highway of life so that all others may travel a lighted path unto happiness to a full life"....The son of Lt. Pitt, incidentally, is another Lieut., in the army---Ed, who used to be in our Med. Detach., worked at the Info. Office, before leaving for OCS....He's now a 1st Lt.....



RETURN OF A HERO: Sgt. Albert Navatto, of the Detach. Supply, is still awed by what happened to his boyhood friend, Marine Sgt. John Basilone, hero of Gaudalcanal.... Navatto was in the Big Parade which honored the hometown boy (Raritan NJ) - who mowed down 35 Japs and held a machine gun position for three days and nights without rest or food....Sgt. Basilone was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor... The people of his town gave him a \$5,000.00 Bond... and what's more-- THE HOME FRONT BACKED THE ATTACK IN CASH, BY FLEDGING THE TOTAL OF \$1,402,882.00 IN WAR BONDS DURING THREE HOURS...(Population of Raritan: five thousand)... And speaking of heroes, here's another story of American bravery (Thirty Seconds over Tokyo) by Capt. Ted W. Lawson. ..Writes the Captain: "I helped bomb Tokyo on the Doolittle raid of April 18, 1942... I crashed in the China Sea...I learned the full, deep meaning of the term "United Nations" from men and women whose language I couldn't speak.... I watched a buddy of mine saw off my left leg.. And finally I got home to my wife after being flown, shipped and carried around the world...

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NOTES FROM HERE AND THERE: The PIC seems to be unusually quiet these days...without the steno. PFC Myrna Smetzer... We have seen the boss, Capt. P.B.Henon, fumbling over the typewriter keys himself.. What happens AT THOSE PARTIES we hear so much about...given by Sgt. Dick Mantel?... A Tilton visitor: Mrs. L. N. Gilliar, wife of our QM friend...Cpl. Tom Key, who couldn't wake up on time, has the help of an alarm clock now zzz zzz zzz.To help him along, Pfc Charlie Selvage, the artiste, wrote: "Old Faithful, we greet the dawn together... Old Faithful, in fair or stormy weather .. When the bugler blows his warning--so early in the morning... We wake up, you and I".. zz zzz zzzz In the last issue, we wrote Dolores instead of Mary Costello in sayin' something nice about the dental hygienist... Pfc George Moore tells us that when a gal looks good in a bathing suit the men usually look good, too!...

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TILTONESQUE: The joint dayroom where boys and girls in khaki-- dance to juke-box ballads... The cold nights with the wind crying for the end of summer.. The kittens parading around-- A.O.L from Bob Yeager's Lab-home.. The lucky 'spot' on the corridor bet. Bks. 5 & 6-- where sleepy people are toooo sleepy to say goodnight.... The spotless atmosphere of the pharmacy...The face-lifting of the officers' club... The exodus from Bks two in record time.... Mail Call: when soldiers really find out how much they are missed back home... The changing of uniforms to woolen O.D..... The DoE House.... built patiently by the patients.....

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CIVILIAN NEWS: Mrs. E. N. Errickson & Miss Jean Errickson, mother and daughter - leaving FMH after working here so long... Miss Helen Turnbull- sporting a set of major-earrings... Miss Olive Killmer, the phone operator, will soon take a l.o.a. to marry S/Sgt. Jim Mahaney, who used to be in the QM... Miss Katherine H. Ryan, the civ. held, is appealing to the civ. to BACK THE ATTACK WITH MORE AND MORE BONDS.

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SERENADING: The entertainment committee of the officers' club in announcing the annual hallowe'en mask and costume party on October 30th, advertises that "Mr Omar Khayyam Presnitz, one of the more eminent americans of our time, will be present"... well, who is he???... Sgt. Bill Norvell's wedding date: Nov. 21st... Which WAC was strictly unrepresentable when Maj. Gen. Thomas Terry, Commanding General, Second Service Command, walked into Bks. eight?....Sgt. Ed Young, back from QM school, will give lots of competition to TGH Romeos.. S/Sgt Andy Caetta is taking that "deserved" rest from penning his usual column... The WACs had the wrong signal the other nite and plenty of excitement, gas masks and all, at 12:30 AM..



# HERE AND THERE AROUND

# TILTON

CONGRATULATIONS: The cigars are on the following enlisted men who have been promoted recently:

## 1257th SCSU

To Cpl: Melvin J. Aiken  
Robert L. Geiger  
Kenneth V. Myers (QM)

To T/5: Raymond Barnett  
James Bruno (QM)  
Daniel Crecca  
George Herudek  
Clarence Somers  
Thomas Stuart Jr.

## SG. DET.

To T/4: George W. Cragg  
Cyril A. Smith

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COLONEL DOWELL LEAVES FORT DIX: Colonel Cassius M. Dowell, Commanding Officer of Fort Dix, has left office, according to Gen. Orders #57, issued from Hq. Fort Dix, dated 30 September 1943. Colonel Holmes G. Paullin, until recently Commanding Officer of the 1229th Reception Center, a post he held from its opening three years ago, is the new Commanding Officer of Fort Dix. We bid Godspeed to Col. Dowell and good luck to Colonel Paullin.

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RED CROSS NEWCOMER: The Red Cross at Tilton has a new recreational activities worker in its midst in Miss Catherine Cunningham. She is a former newspaper woman, having worked for the St. Louis Globe-Democrat at one time. Her column on the Red Cross page of this issue of "TILTON TALK" will testify to her prowess with the pen.

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## MORE FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT MORE OFTEN:

According to all reliable information, recreational activity for TGH Wacs and enlisted men is on the upswing.



It is planned to have some form of entertainment twice a month rather than just the regular monthly dances alone.

Anyone with constructive suggestions along the play line should contact Sgt. Eddie Judge at the P&T Office or T/4 Jack Schwartz at R&D. Also, anybody with talent at anything from magic to playing the zither, come out of hiding and stop being bashful.

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TILTON MEN SICK IN THE HOSPITAL: Our best wishes for speedy recoveries go to the following Detachment men who are in the hospital:

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| Sgt. Mac Konner   | Pvt. Walter Tyrce |
| Pvt. Wm. Volovnik | Pvt. Sal DiCoccio |
| Pvt. Wm. Boutross | Pfc. Clayton Heck |
| Pvt. Michael Long | Pvt. Robert Hays  |

Also, welcome back to Sgt. Bob Veit of the MPs and T/4 Lincoln Bogart both of whom were recently released from the hospital.

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## TGH POST EXCHANGE TAKEN OVER BY FT. DIX:

Tilton's PX is undergoing changes, but rapidly! Fort Dix has taken over the whole works and the exchange is now operated under the Dix Exchange Service. What change there will be, if any, in prices, hours etc. is not yet known.

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PING PONG TOURNAMENT: S/Sgt. John Frame, TGH Athletic Director announces that a Ping Pong Tournament starts next week in the Det. Dayroom. 20 men are entered. Watch the bulletin board for games.





# HOSPITAL DIETITIAN CORPS

*by 2nd Lt. Eleanor Waldman, H.D.*

It can be said that no organization has placed so much emphasis upon food and adequately balanced diets as the Army. This is especially true in an Army hospital. Few of us realize the wealth of detail that goes into running a hospital mess. Dietitians are in a position to render a very definite service in the preparation and serving of food in Army hospitals.

Up until March, 1943, Dietitians were civilian employees of the Medical Department of the Army. The American Dietetics Association asked for military status as commissioned officers and now thanks to the support of the War Department this has been granted. The Hospital Dietitian Corps was created by an Act of Congress in January, 1943. Shortly thereafter, the first officer and director of the Corps, Major Helen C. Burns, was commissioned. The first large group of dietitians was commissioned, on March 16, 1943. Here, at Tilton, we have three "charter" members of the Corps, 1st Lt. Helen A. Friedman, 2nd Lt. Matilda Rubenstein and 2nd Lt. Eleanor Waldman. The requirements for dietitians as set up by Surgeon General's office are:

(a) Education: A degree with a major in Foods and Nutrition or Institutional Management from a college of recognized standing.

(b) Completion of a Post Graduate Course for Dietitians as approved by the Surgeon General may be substituted for this course.

What a dietitian does is a question which causes much speculation. The average conception is that she is a superfluous addition to the Mess Sergeant's staff. With patient determination, the Army dietitian has proved that she is a highly trained specialist in the art of food preparation and food service. In general, she is responsible for the planning of balanced menus, she supervises the preparation and service of all meals to both tray and Mess Hall patients, keeps a close inspection of waste, directs employees in the preparation, serving, and storage of food, orders supplies, assists in the procurement of kitchen equipment, and gives instruction and demonstrates preparation special diets to cooks and patients. The dietitian has a definite place in the education plan of the soldier-patient. Much can be done to improve the soldiers' food habits and knowledge of nutrition by tactful suggestion.

Today, with hundreds of dietitians in the service within the continental limits and overseas, I believe, that the dietitian has met the challenge and is paving the way for greater achievement in nutrition education.

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## A BATTLEFIELD ON HIGH

Last night I went to sleep  
Although I had no bed  
No vigil could I longer keep  
Down went my drooping head.

Before I closed my eyes  
To enter slumber-land  
I looked into the sky  
That covers every man.

A sky once blue turned red  
Where only birds could fly . . . .  
A sky with planes o'er head  
A battlefield on high.

It is our destiny  
To clear that reddened sky  
Make it a certainty  
That only birds will fly.

Pvt. John Kelly





# A.N.C.

by 2nd LT. MARY B. GRIERSON

BATS IN THE BELFRY: In case no one else reports this item, we want to let you know that on the morning of September 23rd, there was a bat in the main corridor near the EENT Clinic entrance. It was just a little bat about 2 inches long---and sound asleep. Must have been on night duty.

READ IT AND WEEP: Rumor has it that classes will start again. In fact, by the time this has been printed, some of the girls will be resuming their afternoon naps twice a week. Those dark glasses don't fool anybody!

REPORT FROM OUR PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR: The girls in Quarters 5 are putting on their best behavior these days. There is a Captain in their midst. Our private investigator reports that all is well to date, and that the Captain thinks you're not too bad a bunch.....The living room in Quarters 1 has been dressed up for winter. There is a new rug and crisp white curtains.....Nothing like taking a bag full of potato chips out of the mess hall. "They were good, tho, weren't they, Dahlink?" (I took some myself!)

NEWS FROM QUARTERS THREE: The girls in quarters 3 have a new policy--"Share and Share Alike!" (We hope in the next issue of Tilton Talk some one will let us in on what this refers to, and whether or not the policy was unanimously adopted.) .....Where did all the girls get their colds? It couldn't have been at the picnic.....Some-thing new has been added to Quarters 3--a News Bulletin. (Quarters 3 neglects to report just where this is located.)

LOST: One turtle lost somewhere in Quarters 3. Owner is heartbroken and has been raising a commotion ever since her pet disappeared. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of this turtle please let Quarters 3 know.

In response to the LOST notice from Quarters 3, our Private Investigator reports a turtle living in Quarters 1, but she also reports that it seems to be a different turtle. The best advice we can give Quarters 3, is to start searching. There will be a small reward waiting for the finder. Just a small reward because--well--it's only a small turtle.

Did you hear the Lt. Dorothy Fearn is a Senior Red Cross life saver? "Bring em back alive!" That's her motto. She really gets what she goes after, too. Did you know that it was only thru her untiring efforts that TGH had heat these cold mornings? Anyhow, that's the way we heard it.....Did you know that Lt. Claire Martin had a surprise party for her recent birthday? She really was surprised, too. ....Did you know that Lt. Emily Knotek has travelled far and wide over these United States in her professional duties? From 1934 until 1942 she worked with the Indian Service under the Department of the Interior. Her first appointment was in Montana on the Rocky Boy Reservation in the Bear Paw Mountains. The Cree Indians there originally came from Canada in 1870, and their chief means of livelihood is bead work and farming. There was one nurse for 600-700 Indians. Then she went to Arizona and worked on a school health program among the Navajo and Hopi Indians. She tells of an interesting experience when she travelled from the reservation to Phoenix, about 300 miles, and in a space of 6 hours she went thru weather representing all seasons of the year.

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All the reservations seem to have very picturesque names. The next reservation to which Lt. Knotek was assigned was the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming. Here the chief work of the Nurse was the prevention and treatment of trachoma; also some work in tuberculosis with Dr. Aronson from Phipps in Philadelphia.....In 1942, Lt. Knotek was transferred to Oklahoma and was with the Five Civilized Tribes Agency. The colorful curtains covering her wardrobe were made by the Cherokee school children..... She tells many fascinating stories of her work, but she didn't say whether or not she learned to "war whoop." It might be useful in the Army.

We nurses in the Army are used to being called everything from a Wave to a Marine. But here's the latest:

Anyone wearing P on her insignia belongs to the Physical Torture group; those with H are House Detectives; those with N----, well you guess the rest!

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## WOMAN PHYSICIAN IN MDRP

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These are days of swift, exciting change. New faces, and new institutions the world over. Tilton General Hospital, like the rest of the world, is meeting with changes. The most recent being the addition of a woman doctor. She is Captain Margaret Shirlock, MC, who is now in the Medical Department Replacement Pool here.

Captain Shirlock joined the Army on August 27th, 1943, and her first Army assignment is Tilton General Hospital. Prior to being ordered to active duty, she was Senior Physician at the Vineland State School for Girls. She was associated with the School for twelve and one half years. She is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and the Women's Medical College of Philadelphia. Since graduation she has served with the Department of Institutions and Agencies of New Jersey. She is a member of the American Association of Mental Defense, and has guided advanced students in their work on Mental deficiencies through practical clinical experience. Several of her research findings on subjects pertaining to mental disorders due to psychological disturbances have been delivered before medical societies.

Captain Shirlock is assigned to the Neuropsychiatric Section of Tilton General Hospital.

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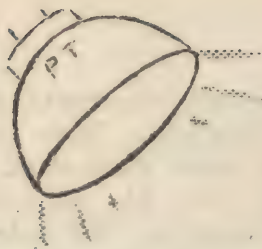
## FIRST WAC BLOOD DONOR

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Sgt. Marianne B. Corcoran of the EENT Clinic was the first member of the WAC Medical Detachment to be called upon to donate blood.

"Corky" took it as a matter of little excitement, but the men of the Detachment Mess Hall were a bit surprised when she walked in, with slip in hand, to request her steak dinner!





# PHYSICAL THERAPY DEPT.

*by T/5 Jerry Spiegler*

It has often been said that one of the many good things in military medicine resulting from the First World War was the concentrated study of Physical Therapy. "Physiotherapy" was once a vague term; today in actual practice it is one of the most important phases in the care of the sick and the wounded. "Physiotherapy" more recently known as Physical Therapy, is a field in great demand since it has proven to be a valuable step in the treatment and reconditioning of wounded men. Tilton General Hospital, like all other Army Hospitals, is dedicated to the rehabilitation of its sick and wounded men and therefore great emphasis is placed on constructive treatments, such as Physical Therapy.

Daily, patients from almost every ward in the hospital, receive treatment in the Physical Therapy Section of TGH. It is here that Arthritis and Rheumatoid conditions are treated with heat and massage. Fever therapy is administered for some arthritis cases and for venereal disease; immobilized joints are made more flexible; whirlpool baths are given to increase circulation. Ultraviolet therapy is applied; and electrical stimulation is given to keep paralyzed muscles in good condition until they can contract themselves. A gymnasium, fully equipped with bicycle, walker, roller, rowing machine and posture mirror is also utilized as a method of treatment.

The principle of Physical Therapy is to treat disease and deformity with physical aids,--heat, light, water, massage, electricity, and muscle re-education. The progress made by Physical Therapy comes close to that of a modern miracle, and it has merged in decades from a "baking and massaging" era to an exacting science. It aims to reduce pain and to rehabilitate the human body whenever possible. Like most forms of progressive medicine and treatments, it may appear as a slow process to the individual concerned, but its effectiveness is evident in the number of people it has already aided.

The Physical Therapy Section of TGH is directed by 1st Lt. Dean M. Hayes, MC, assisted by 1st Lt. Barbara Northrup, Head PTA Aide, and 2nd Lt. Marion Fenner, PTA; Fever Therapists: 2nd Lt. Mary Grierson, ANC, and 2nd Lt. Ruth Ingraham, ANC. The Apprentice Aides are Myrtle Bunch and Constance Seabridge. T/4 Martin Zlotnik, Ward Master, T/4 Irving Feingold, Pfc Carl Dahlgren, Pvt. Lela Miller, WAC, and Pvt. Elizabeth Hess, WAC, complete the Physical Therapy Staff.

## AUTUMN

Rich, ripe Autumn has come 'round,  
Leaves are falling on the ground,  
Leaves, all colors, every hue,  
Brown, and yellow, golden, too.

Nature's showing off her best,  
Colors - beauty - autumn's vest,  
All around us warmth is seen,  
Richness that one time was green!

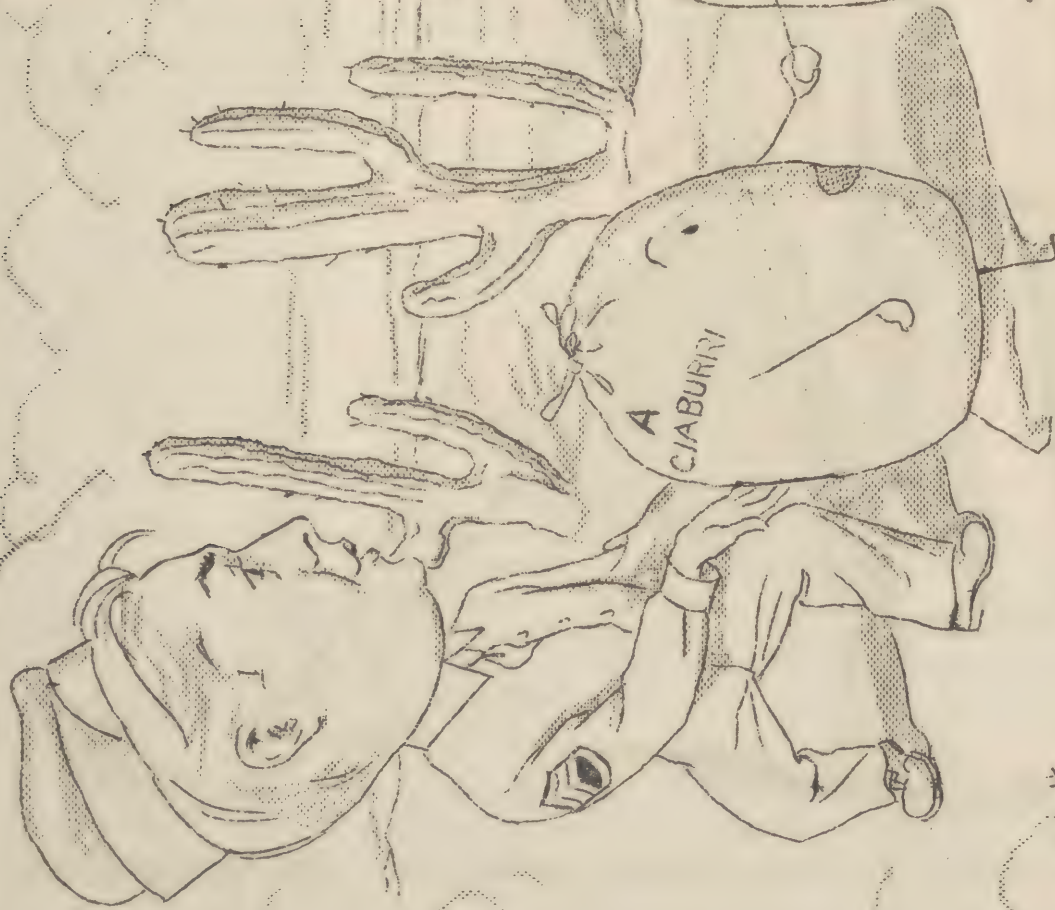
Squirrels are packing for the cold,  
Nuts galore are what they hold,  
Ration points for them are nil,  
For them Nature fills the bill.

Autumn, greatest season e'er,  
Filled with color, warmth, will share  
Beauty, richness, warmth galore,  
Could one ask for anymore?

T/4 John E. Bray



*A mirage???*



*Salvage*

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*Deep in the heart of Texas*





Prot. James John Barrymore Shakespeare  
Cyrano de Bergerac Edmund Walsh  
graces the Detachment dance.





### DISCOVERY OF A NEW WORLD



"Discovery of the New World is usually accredited to Christopher Columbus. Of the early life of Columbus, little is known. Columbus was born in Genoa, the exact date unknown. He studied astronomy, geometry and cosmography at the University, but became a sailor at fourteen. 1478 found Columbus in Portugal, after voyages to England, the Madieras and possibly the Guiana Coast. By this time he must have learned much about the Portuguese discoveries. Having married the daughter of a captain in the service of Prince Henry the Navigator, Columbus pored over logs and papers of his father-in-law. In 1479 Columbus visited Porto Santo, probably employing his time in making maps and charts, and talking to old seamen of their voyages. He seems, step by step, to have conceived the design for reaching Asia by sailing west, which resulted in the discovery of America. His views as finally developed and presented to courts of Spain and Portugal were supported by three principal lines of argument, derived from national reasons, from the theory of geographers, and from the reports and traditions of mariners. He believed the world to be a sphere; he underestimated its size; he overestimated the size of the Asiatic continent.

"Columbus studied and learned under circumstances that today seem almost impossible. Libraries were practically unknown and printing, then in its infancy, had not spread to that section of Europe inhabited by Columbus. Learning had not developed to such an extent that information to aid his voyages could be found in books or libraries."

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Columbus set out on an unknown voyage to a New World. Why not consider a library an unknown book-world to be discovered? Books will sail the seas and eventually land you in a new world---the world of imagination.

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## TILTON MEN GIVE FIRST AID

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While driving back to TGH from Hazelton, Pa., recently T/Sgt. John Congell and Pfc Louis DePoto, of Medical Supply, hit some debris on the road, and soon found that they had just arrived at the scene of an automobile accident. The two cars involved had been thrown to opposite sides of the road. The passengers of one car came forward; they were hurt but able to walk, and explained hurriedly what had happened. They said that they thought the people in the other car were in a worse physical condition.

DePoto then drove these two boys to their home, about one mile away. They were suffering from shock and needed immediate first-aid treatment, which DePoto administered until other aid arrived.

Meanwhile, Congell was assisting in bringing the three passengers from the other car. The Pennsylvania State Troopers had arrived by then and found that one man was badly crushed, and the other two needed immediate first-aid.





# WHISPERS

by Sgt. Eddie Judge

Announcements have just been received from Ruth Hencken of her marriage at Las Vegas, New Mexico, to Pvt. John L. Maiden...Ruth's new husband is stationed at Camp Luna...From all of us here, Ruth, "Congratulations and best of luck to you both"...

Pvt. Ruth "Ginger" McDaniel's eyes are gleaming with pride...This will be the second time since coming to Tilton that her name has "hit the papers"... "Ginger's" whole family "made" the Fort Dix Post in the photo section...And with good reason... There are Twenty (count 'em) in the family!!! .....

Fred White "pulled a fast one" when the TGH Softball Team played the Patients recently...He marched a platoon of men down to the field to see the game, with Finegan smack out in front with his bagpipes.....The officers rushed out en masse from the club when the group neared, figuring it was another type of air raid signal.....

Have Doris Wagner and Ray Coltri ( our ex-artist) chilled?.....

GOOD SAMARITAN DEPARTMENT...While on his way home on pass, George Prueffer stopped off for a cup of coffee in time to have a distraught restaurant owner ask him to call a doctor for the man (stricken while eating his dinner)....The doctor treated his patient and advised he be driven home...The man's wife was unable to drive so George volunteered, and drove them to Red Bank...He "hitched" back to his own car after wasting seven hours of his pass...The grateful couple rewarded him with.....A basket of apples!! .....

What WAC is being veddy childish by using the "poison words routine" about one of her barracks mates?...For her information, and on very good authority, she is wrong, but definitely

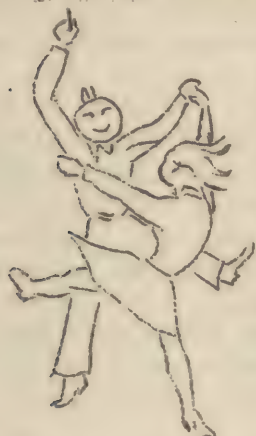
Some of the enlisted men and WAC's who work together, had a party last Wednesday, the 22nd, at an Inn near Mount Holly.....A dinner was served, and music furnished by part of the Tilton Orchestra....Everyone voted the affair a success, even our "Top Kick", Mike McCarroll, who played "safe" by having a girl on each arm.... For protection, Sergeant?...BOKAYZ AND BRIKBAIZ: Trumpeter Johnny Tenk must have been in a romantic mood....He dedicated "As Time Goes By" to Doris Massam, and "You Made Me Love You" to Anne "Mickey" Dion...Johnny Reesman and Lela Miller were an item, with a monopoly on the corner table....Carroll Doll was called "The Shadow".. He "shadowed" nearly every girl at the party to see if there was a chance to cut in .....Pvt. Veronica (Lake) Mercer cut a mean rug with "Snuffy" Gowan..... Bob James was beaming.....Versatile Fred White played the bass fiddle and relieved Joe Rosoff for a few dances.....

The "Juke Box" in the new Service Club for WAC's and enlisted men is really getting a workout these fine cool nights.....First thing we know we'll have a Detachment of "Rug Cutters".....

What is the "Athletic Cure-All" that Bill Cale knows that has something to do with boxing gloves???. .....



Pvt. Helen "Brownie" LoBello is now a member of the Detachment of Patients.... Plenty of mail pours in for her though....From her "Andy".....Seems that Andy is also hospitalized at a Marine Hospital....."Brownie's" appendix is acting up and Andy is in for a check-up.



BOKAYZ AND BAIKBATZ FROM THE DETACHMENT DANCE: Friday the 24th should have been called "Rumor Day"...One of our most prolific "Rumor Spreaders" saw some of the girls from the USO Camp Show with yours truly, and in no time at all the report was magnified to the extent that there were two bus loads of girls from Philadelphia coming for the dance....The rumor evidently reached the WAC Detachment, for viddy few of the WAC's appeared at the dance. ....At least that is one of the reasons for the poor attendance.. The other is one we should see to at once.. Too many of the enlisted men just sit around and don't do much dancing.....Think we can correct that, fellers?.....

Seems there is one member of the Detachment that appeals to a certain WAC because ..... "He always looks as though he is ready to cry....looks so cute!".... Phooey!!!

Mickey Marione says he had a swell time.....Missed every dance.....

Willard Sauter amused himself....and most of the dancers, by making sketches of the "Wallfloweres"....Kept plenty busy, too!.....

In spite of the fact that Frances Beaman didn't miss a dance, she also found time to fill out the evening on the intermissions.....

The TGH Orchestra gets one of our finest Bokayz again for their fine music....

Lieutenant "Rip" Turner dropped in to say "Hello" to the boys in the band.....

A large Bokay to Sgt. Gerard for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Detachment Mess....He and the entire staff have always turned out a menu that is the last word in epicurean funesse.....

"Top Kick" McCarroll and Anne Pimpinelli had the spotlight on one of the polkas.....Nice Goin'.....

"White's Whelps", the Cadre', put on an impromptu show...Jimmie (Barrymore) Walsh appeared in one of his favorite Shak spe lean roles...Confidentially, Jim, one of these fine days someone is goin' to string a rope through your head and hang you in a delicatessan window....

Captain Bette Alter, Lieutenant Press, and Lieutenant Howard (with a viddy pretty civilian) stopped in for a few dances...

(DON'T FORGET...OIMY PROSNITZ IS COMING)

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ARMISTICE DAY BIRTHDAY MAKES GI A "GOOD OMEN": Camp Stewart, Ga. (CNS) A camp-wide celebration is planned here on Pvt. Kenneth Armistice Marriott's birthday. Pvt. Marriott is considered a "good omen" in his battery because he was born Nov. 11, 1919, and was named Armistice in commemoration of the ending of the first World War.





# G.I. SIDELIGHTS



PRISONER IN ITALY ASKS FOR 1943 FOOTBALL TICKETS: Annapolis, Md. (CNS)—No. 1 optimist in the U.S. Army is an American prisoner of war in Italy who last April wrote to officials at the Naval Academy here requesting two tickets to the Army-Navy game in November, 1943. The Navy complied and it appears, now that Italy has surrendered, that the GI may see that game after all.

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DEATH DIVES BLOW UP ALUMINUM OIL WELLS: Miami, Fla. (CNS)—T/Sgt. Frank Kozak, of Carbondale, Pa. arrived here from Africa recently with a story of how the crews of two Liberator bombers deliberately sacrificed their lives by diving their planes into Floesti oil field targets.

Sgt. Kozak, a crewman on a Liberator, said that the two planes, almost out of control, were aimed at vital targets in a suicide dive by their pilots, who made the sacrifice "to shorten the war." One plane hit and destroyed a refinery and the other shattered an important cracking plant, he said.

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SPORTS SHORTS FROM OTHER FORTS: George Selkirk, ex-Yankee outfielder, is now a Warrant Officer stationed at the Newport (R.I.) Naval Station.

Pfc. Ed (Lefty) McRadden, sports editor of the Tailspin, Tinker Field, Okla., reports that the best team his Field met this season was the Navy Skyjackets, of Norman, Okla. The Skyjackets, are coached by Lt. Charley Gelbert, former Cardinal shortstop. Their top pitcher is Al Benton, ex-Detroit righthander, and their leading hitter is Johnny Rizzo who used to play for the Phillies, Pirates, Reds, and Dodgers.

CARRIER PIGEONS PICK RIGHT ARMY BUT WRONG POST: Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. (CNS) Three off-the-beam Signal Corps carrier pigeons bearing messages for Camp Crowder, Mo., landed here. The birds were placed in the care of a former pigeon racer stationed here until arrangements could be made to send them on to Camp Crowder -- 200 miles away -- by rail.

145 WACS ENTER ARMY MEDICAL SCHOOL: Hot Springs, Ark. (CNS)—One hundred-forty-five WACs have begun training at the Army-Navy General Hospital here. They are the first such group to attend an Army school for medical technicians.

Present plans call for the training of 1,000 WACs as medical, surgical, X-Ray, dental, and laboratory technicians to serve with the Army in hospitals in the U.S. and overseas. The course for X-Ray, dental, and laboratory technicians will last three months and that for medical and surgical technicians two months.

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RAF PLANE CALLED "OURS" BY ITALIAN CIVILIAN: North Africa; (CNS)—A Spitfire soared over Reggio Calabria. An Italian civilian looked skyward and sighed: "It's one of ours."

"No," said a British officer, "it's one of ours."

The Italian shrugged, "It's the same thing now," he said.

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GI CHOW PUTS 25 LBS ON UNDERAGE SOLDIER: Camp Shelby; Miss. (CNS)—Twenty-five pounds were gained by Pvt. Harry E. Maura during his 10-month "hitch" in the Army. Maura, who enlisted on his 17th birthday, was discharged from this Post recently as underage.

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PILOT LOSES \$50., GETS \$78.47: Lubbock, Texas (CNS)—A South Plains Army Air Field pilot student lost his wallet containing \$50. Fellow students passed the hat for him. Contributions totaled \$78.47.



FROM

A. S. F.

CIRCULAR NO. 89

"V - PROMOTION OF ENLISTED MEN.

"1. The inactivation of certain units, the reorganization of others under revised Tables of Organization, and the general reduction of personnel authorizations for overhead installations and activities have rendered an increasing number of non-commissioned officers surplus in grades held.

"2. Heretofore, due to the expansion of the Army and the activation of new units, it has been possible to absorb surplus noncommissioned officers by reassignment within commands. However, as the mobilization phase is now ending and the strength of the army is becoming fixed, the absorption of surplus individuals in grade is becoming increasingly difficult.

"3. In view of the changing conditions described above, the procedures listed below will be immediately instituted by commanding generals of service commands and chiefs of technical services:

"a. Stringent control over promotions to noncommissioned officer grades will be instituted with the view to absorbing and utilizing surplus noncommissioned officers through appropriate reassignment and placement procedures.

"b. High standards of performance will be established and required of all non-commissioned officers.

"c. Noncommissioned officers who demonstrate inability to meet these standards will be reduced in accordance with the provisions of Section II, AR 615-5, 30 June 1943.

"d. Technicians, fourth and fifth grades, will be reduced upon termination of their assignment to the duties for which appointment to the technician grade was made, as directed in paragraph 13c, (4), AR 615-5."

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## ADVANCED ENLISTED COURSE ARMY FINANCE SCHOOL

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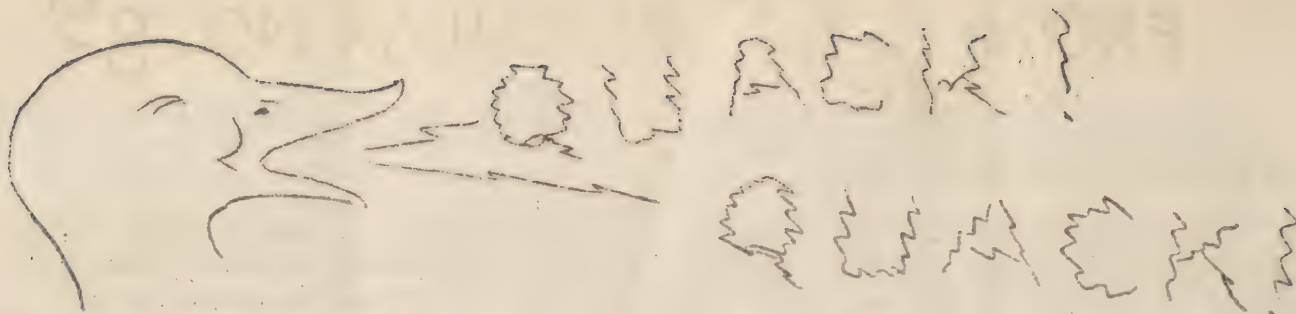
"1. Quotas have been made known for the next regular course of instruction, Class No. 56, for enlisted men of the Finance Department, conducted by the Army Finance School (Enlisted Section, Wake Forest College) Duke University, Durham, North Carolina. The reporting date for this class is 15 October 1943, starting date 18 October 1943., and graduation date 12 January 1943.

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OVERBURDENED POSTMAN GETS SOLDIER'S SYMPATHY: Denver, Col. (CNS) - Because her boy friend in the service had been complaining about full field packs, a Denver girl took a picture of her postman laden with mail and sent it to the soldier.

The GI then wrote this message to the postman on the outside of his next letter: "I have the picture of you pinned on the wall of my tent."





HERE AND THERE: ED HOWARD has a new o.a.o., a lovely brunette from Trenton way.... MARY CONLEY was down for the weekend looking very lovely...HUGHIE HERMANN sure enjoyed the "This is Fort Dix" broadcast - he's taller than his pop...We don't see so much of the WETZELS these days since they moved into their new dream house...The HEALYS have deserted Trenton and joined the Moorestown elite...Everybody's playing tennis - the big party comes off on October 12th and the prizes are beauties...BUD TURNBULL is going in for pre-med at the U of P - it finally got him...LT. FANNY SUE WHITE is sure doing a grand job in the Officers' Mess - we like the feminine touch...Where was FREDIANI when they were looking for him to be the General's aide?.... JACK MESSEY spent the nite in Room 13 - too bad, Jack...A big blowout was given for BRUCE STEWART before he left for Fort Jay and his new duties - everybody seemed to have an awful lot of fun, including Bruce...Congratulations to JOHN CONLEY, the new Chief of the EENT Section - will we have oils hung in the Clinic now, Captain?.... SID LISWOOD and STANLEY SELTZER are joint owners of our new one-armed members - 30 times and not a hit - take it or yourselves home, boys...BETTY and DOUG MUNNIKHUYSEN have left for their new station in New London...The State Police had a case on their hands on Sunday, 26 September, when two bandits - not the one-armed type, which was a nice change - "stole" SI KATZ' car to go hunting, out of season as usual - can't you just guess who?...SOL HAINES took little ALLEN HAINES for his first ride last Sunday - maybe by the time they accumulate enough gas to take another ride, ALLEN will be old enough to drive!

OMY PROSNITZ is coming!

GUESS WHO: Clue No. 1 - He's tall, he's dark and he's handsome, too.

(And it's not Henry Cotton)

Clue No. 2 - He's a doctor, he's an athlete, he's an entertainer, and he's always where something is going on.

(And it's not John Conley)

Clue No. 3 - His hair is dark and curly, he's a dancing fool, but sings out of tune. He always has a smile and an answer for everyone.

(And it's not Omy Prosnitz)

Clue No. 4 - He'll never die from his specialty.

(In case you didn't get it on the 1st clue, his initials are S.M.B.K. - silly, isn't it?)

OMY PROSNITZ is coming!

WHAT WE'D LIKE TO SEE: FITZGERALD hit a JP...MERT FLANDERS smile...HENRY COTTON complacent...BETTE ALTER in her green and white gown once again...ED HANNA not in a hurry...HAROLD PRESS without a worried look...FREDIANI sleeping until at least 6:00 AM...SI KATZ talking in a low shout...JOHN BALDES without an answer...CECIL MILLER in a duel with a cockroach...BILL LIPKIN with friends from the 1st to the 30th...RUBE MILLER working again...MARTY HEALY with nothing to organize...HAL HERMANN ruffled...OMY PROSNITZ!!

OMY PROSNITZ is coming!



FILL IN BLANKS: "Now some folks like Etchings, but our taste meanders  
To the artistic works of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_,  
Who with chisel and mallet and just a few blows  
Set out to construct you a beautiful nose.  
They will mold you a beak which is very patrician,  
Or if you prefer make it Roman or Grecian;  
Create a proboscis that's really quite stunning -  
But when, O Lord, will they learn to keep one from running?  
They'll make you a nose that's really quite pleasing,  
But never can help when the darn thing starts sneezing!  
Make you quite glam'rous, but when all's done and said  
Who can get am'rous with a cold in the head?  
What good is a profile like John Barrymore?  
History books mention no lovers who snore!"

So-long,

"DOC" DUCK

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## INTRODUCING THE WAC

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ANNETTE "STORMY" CLAUD: Here is a character with a good sense of humor--and a "natural" all the way through! She is a native of Texas and joined the WAC about eight months ago. Her appearance, speech, and attitude give her the "air" of a Zane Grey heroine, but it's really a disguise, for in reality she is a very feminine woman, not at all of the western variety. She met her first cow when visiting at Act. 1st Sgt's Marie B. Wenzel's farm in Summit, N. J. (quite by accident, in the field, and "Stormy" didn't like the dilation of nostrils). She went horseback riding at Fort Dix for the first time in her life - and had quite a time making the horse go!

"Stormy" is one of three children. She has one brother in service, and a sister who is still in school. Her father is publisher of a farm journal in Dallas. Prior to her entrance into the Army she attended Southern Methodist College and the University of Denver, and later was employed by a defense plant.

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DORIS HADLEY: It wouldn't be fair to write about "Stormy" and not to include Doris Hadley, since the two are really quite inseparable. Doris is one of the most even-tempered individuals in the WAC Medical Detachment. Blonde, and constantly smiling, she has a number of friends. She comes from a four thousand acre ranch in Pocatello, Idaho. Before she joined the WAC she was an Interior Decorator, employed in Boise, Idaho. She is an extremely fine housewife, fond of re-upholstering furniture pieces, and interested in antique house furnishings.

Doris is very interested in her little nephews and nieces and is always buying something or other for them. She almost bought a doll for Sgt. Vincent Bowden, but it was just almost!

T/5 Garry Spiegler

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# Red Cross News

by Miss Catherine Cunningham

## Letter to the Editor:

The Red Cross literary contribution to this edition of Tilton Talk has been turned over to Catherine Cunningham. Miss Cunningham is with the overseas recreation section of Red Cross. Before joining us she was for a time a reporter on the Globe-Democrat in St. Louis, Missouri, and you can be sure that our recreation department jumped at the chance to invite her to do our column this issue. We hope we have more trainees like Catherine.

Jeanette P. Caldwell

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**PATIENT VARIETY SHOW:** The "stars" scintillated, the curtain stuck, but the audience roared through an evening of unashamed slapstick when Tilton patients presented "Footlight Frolics" in the Recreation Hall, September 21.

With Corporal David Sirkis as master of ceremonies, the show featured Private Simon Mosesohn and Private Danny Mecca who presented everything from a burlesque Hula to impersonations of Hitler and Mussolini. At the piano was Tilton's favorite, Sgt. Ray Duport playing his famed boogie-woogie.

"Leading lady" of the performance was Corporal Hugh Redden, complete with bangs and high heels. With Pfc. Shaw Brannon as "hero" the two demonstrated love-making as it shouldn't be made. Pfc. Maurice H. Pecora was narrator for the blast couple and the blushing audience.

Originally scheduled as a four-star general for his appearance in the skit, "The General Never Forgets", Private David Harris was demoted to two-stars just before curtain time when the tinfoil gave out backstage.

Members of the cast and stage crew included: Sergeant Charles Hammontree, Private Horace Hamage, Corporal Robert Shepherd, Corporal Hobart Terry, Pfc. Glen Bernhart, Corporal Thomas Delgado, Pfc. James Kennedy.

**DOLL HOUSE:** If Tilton patients have anything to do about it both the children and the children's dolls at Trenton's Orthopaedic Hospital are going to have a Merry Christmas - in the form of a doll house complete from fireplace to pictures on the wall.

Begun in April, the doll house, one of the most popular of patient projects, now stands more than three feet high and lacks only shingles, final painting and inside furnishing to be complete. With Mrs. R. W. Frome, Moorestown, N. J. Red Cross volunteer worker in charge, patients work every day, hammering, painting and adding the finishing touches to the miniature home.

Containing six rooms, stairway, porch and a complete electrical system, the house opens on two sides to permit an entire doll family to move in. Already papered, the rooms are being furnished with tiny furniture, rugs, pictures and accessories. Curtains are the personal project of cooperative WAC patients.

Features of the substantial structure are the generous fireplace and chimney, real awnings that adjust for sun or shade, and tiny shingles applied in professional manner. Patients with talent for realism have added sidings for possible, make-believe rains, and even a tiny light bulb to put a fire-lit glow in the fireplace. Plans for the completed house include even window boxes with flowers growing.

Men who have done a great deal of work on the house include: Private Ray Hicks, Private Frank Trowbridge, Private Wayne Ghostlaw, Private Harry E. Hall, Jr., Private Oliver Rector. Sgt. Mac Kommer, Pfc. Michael Albanese, Sgt. Alexander R. Boyd,



Private Ghysbertus Hoogstraten, Corporal Hubert L. Terry, and Private George D. Stevens. (What, no bathroom? Ed.)

# PATIENTS' RECREATION HALL

## SCHEDULE OF ENTERTAINMENT

|           |         |   |      |                |
|-----------|---------|---|------|----------------|
| Friday    | Oct. 1  | Philadelphia Council of Defense Variety Show                  | Hall | 7:00           |
| Saturday  | Oct. 2  | Service Sisters - - Informal Games                            | Hall |                |
| Sunday    | Oct. 3  | Hamilton Township Police Force Refreshments and entertainment | Hall | 3 to 8:30      |
| Monday    | Oct. 4  | Movies: "Youngest Profession"                                 | Hall | 5:45 7:30      |
|           |         | "Behind the Eight Ball"                                       | Ward | 5:45 7:30      |
| Tuesday   | Oct. 5  | Bingo - USO, YMHA, Women's Service Council                    | Hall | 7:30           |
| Wednesday | Oct. 6  | Movies: "Dixie"   | Hall | 5:45 7:30      |
|           |         | "Iceland"   | Ward | 5:45 7:30      |
| Thursday  | Oct. 7  | Adeth Isreal Daughterhood Carnival                            | Hall | 7:00 9:00      |
| Friday    | Oct. 8  | Tentative Entertainment                                       |      |                |
| Saturday  | Oct. 9  | Tentative Entertainment                                       |      |                |
| Sunday    | Oct. 10 | Christ Episcopal Church                                       | Hall | 3:00 8:30      |
| Monday    | Oct. 11 | Movies: "Salute for Three and Spinach for Britain"            | Hall | 5:45 7:30      |
|           |         | "Four Jacks and a Jill"                                       | Ward | 5:45 7:30      |
| Tuesday   | Oct. 12 | Main Line Merry Go Round Variety Show                         | Hall | 7:30           |
| Wednesday | Oct. 12 | Movies: "Mr. Lucky"   | Hall | 5:45 7:30      |
|           |         | "The Lady Has Plans"  | Ward | 5:45 7:30      |
| Thursday  | Oct. 14 | Ninetieth General Show - three shows                          | Hall | 6:00 7:30 9:00 |
| Friday    | Oct. 15 | Philadelphia Council of Defense Variety Show                  | Hall | 7:00           |

# Tilton Chapel

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

### CATHOLIC

Sunday Holy Mass.....6:00 and 9:00 A.M.  
 Weekday Morning Mass.....7:00 A.M.  
 Confession, Saturday.....4:30 and 7:30 P.M.  
 Confession, Daily.....4:30 P.M.  
 Confession and Communion in the wards for bed patients any time on request.  
 Lt.Col. J.J.A.Troy, Chaplain

### PROTESTANT

Sunday, Divine Worship.....10:00 A.M.  
 Thursday, Evening Song Service.....7:45 P.M.  
 Capt. G.D.Lessley, Chaplain

### JEWISH

Friday, Worship Service.....5:45 P.M.  
 Rabbi Louis Parries



# WHY DID YOU JOIN THE WAC?

by T/5 Jerry Spiegler

(With the start, on Sept. 27th, of the new WAC Recruiting Program, it was thought appropriate to question members of the TGH WAC Detachment as to what prompted them to enter the service. The answers they gave appear below.-----The Editor)

Pvt. Bea Friedberg: Because I felt it was the timely thing to do.

Act. 1st Sgt. Marie Keppel: I'm wondering.

Pvt. Allie Haden: Just pure and simple: because I wanted to. It was something I felt that I just had to do.

Pfc. Helen Hays: I never have been quite able to analyze it, but I think it was mostly because what I was doing as a civilian was not enough to help this war effort.

Pvt. Bernice Coy: A patriotic urge. Someone I knew died in this war and the result was a mixture of emotions. I felt that I had to join.

T/4 Paula Killian: Because I felt that buying bonds and sitting at home, nice and smug wasn't enough.

Pfc. Pat Terhune: I thought I was needed. The WAC Recruiting Program just swallowed me up.

Pfc. Shirley Shoener: Just one of those things that I felt I had to do.

Pfc. Ruth McDaniel (Ginger): Just to keep my nine brothers from getting ahead of me!

T/5 Golda Blumberg: Odd as it may sound, I have no brothers eligible for service, and I just felt like a slacker; it's everybody's war.

Sgt. Marianne B. Corcoran: All of my friends were in the Army and I felt that my working experience could be put to advantage in the WAC.

T/5 Mittie Nation: To help win the war.

Pvt. Tempest Peters: I just wanted to get in the swing of things too.

Cpl. Ludmila Vladakin: Because I always wanted to be in the army, even as a child. Then the WAC came along and it was my big chance.

Pvt. Charlotte Breiner: My future.... husband and all are wrapped up in this war. This is the best way I know of helping to get this thing over sooner.

T/5 Harriet Levin: I wanted to help clear up this nasty business, if I could, and I guess I can.

Pvt. Ann "Mickey" Dion: That requires concentration. I guess it's best summed up as a patriotic impulse. My brother and my friends are all wrapped up in this and I am no different than they are.

T/4 Mary Raney: I joined because I felt myself growing stagnated. The war had changed my whole life and this was one-way of helping, and getting a new perspective too.

Pvt. "Stormy" Cloud: I'm a good Texan, and I just couldn't resist the fight.

Pvt. Betty Priest: In civilian life I never had worked. I took myself in hand one day and decided to do something that amounted to something. This was it.

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PENICILLIN SAVES GIRL, 2: New York (CNS)  
Pretty Patty Malone, 2, has a fighting chance for life today thanks to penicillin, the new medicine more powerful than sulfa drugs. Suffering from septicemia, a blood infection, the little patient was sinking rapidly until the Army released some of the precious drug which it controls. Physicians said she probably will recover.





# DETACHMENT MESS

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of four articles dealing with those all-important departments of the hospital--the Tilton Messes. We chose the DETACHMENT MESS first because--well, we eat there. Ain't that enough?)

The Detachment Mess is second only to the Patients' Mess for continuous activity, and no wonder! Feeding several hundred people three meals a day seven days a week including holidays, Blue Mondays, and Inspection Days, is a task which directly requires the concerted effort of about thirty-five soldiers and indirectly the energy of many more people. For the Army must be fed--well and on time, and at Tilton it is.



The personnel of the Detachment Mess comes under the jurisdiction of Capt. Frank W. Smith, Mess Officer, who has had 23 years experience in mess management. Assisting him is Lt. E. A. Howard, Det. Commander. They are followed by S/Sgt. G. E. Girard, Mess Sgt. and Sgt. Bob Seccurro, his assistant. These men head a crew of 3 bakers, 4 butchers, 10 cooks, 6 mess attendants, and five other soldiers who handle various jobs such as clerical and supply work.

The men are divided into two shifts which are staggered for duty because of the nature of the work and hours in the kitchen. 60% of the men are graduates of Army Bakers and Cooks Schools. The remaining 40% were cooks in civilian life.

The equipment which the mess owns is mammoth and efficient. Huge roasters, caldrons for soup, mixers for everything under the sun, ovens for baking, and ice compartments are all necessary for handling and preserving the food which must be served and kept on hand. The boys in the kitchen know what it means to work and they know their jobs. Besides providing the routine meals each day, the mess hall takes care of our fun, too, by furnishing the refreshments for the monthly dances held by the Detachment. When we play, it means the boys in the kitchen work.



Mess Sergeant Girard smiled when asked about the kitchen. "It's not a very glamorous place, just a kitchen. As for what comes out of it, well, you eat here, make up your own mind."

What comes from it are meals which are planned toward a well-balanced diet from tried and true recipes and with an eye toward variety.

Working with the mess sergeants are the following enlisted men: t/4 Max Kirchner, Pfc. James Richardson, and Pvt. Adolf Garbrecht, Bakers; T/4 Christos Dolias, Karl Lehman, Pfc. Alex Langer, and Pfc. Ralph Ward, Butchers; T/4 John Novak, 1st Cook, Pvt. Fred Johnson, 2d Cook, Pvt. John Kaprol, 3rd Cook, t/5 William Corradino, 4th Cook, and Pfc. Fred Simms, 5th Cook. These men compose the first shift. The second shift has T/4 John Miknevich, 1st Cook, Pvt. Lorenzo Vuiano, 2d Cook, Pfc. William Storms, 3rd Cook, Pvt. Leonard Lape, 4th Cook, and Pfc. Celedonia Lozado, 5th Cook. Pvt. Francis Sullivan has charge of vegetables, Pvt. Charles Miller is Store Room Clerk, and T/4 David Roth is Mess Hall Orderly. The mess attendants are Privates Frank Angiolillo, Merle Hampton, Andrew Perez, William Sheehan, Oscar Sarkis, and James Daisey.



## DON'T WASTE FOOD





# SPORT SLANTS

by John H. Frame, Jr.



At this time I would like to give credit to the Detachment of Patients and Pfc. Matt Moran of the Plans and Training Office for the splendid showing their ball team made when they played two games with our Detachment team. We lost both games to them.

In the first the score was 17-14 in favor of the Detachment team in the top half of the seventh inning, but as the game was called just then on account of darkness, the score automatically reverted back to the sixth inning when the patients were leading 14-12. So we conceded the victory. It was a hard-fought battle all the way although some of the patients must have thought nothing of it compared to some of the battles they fought on foreign soil. Our Detachment team played a very good game also. The second game was almost a walkaway for the patients and wound up at 11-7 with the Detachment on the short end again. The patients still have that fighting spirit that will never die within a Yank. They really played heads-up ball in both games. Their left fielder, Perrello, was grabbing everything that came in sight. And if the patients hit some of our enemies the same way they hit the ball in these games, it is no wonder our boys are going right ahead to win this war. So let's all give these members of the Tilton family a big hand for the good sportsmen they are. The least we can do at Tilton is to buy bonds until it hurts. So that all our boys can come home and stay and have peace on earth forever.

Beginning next week in our Detachment Dayroom we will start our Ping Pong tournament, so look on the bulletin board for the dates of these games, and come out and root for your favorite player.

If there is anyone who wants to play basketball, stop over at Detachment Supply at once as we would like to have a team to enter in the Fort Dix League.

## BOX SCORE---SECOND GAME

| <u>TILTON MED. DET.</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>PATIENTS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>E</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|
| Frame, C-1B             | 3         | 1        | 1        | 0          | 0        | Perrello, LF    | 3         | 2        | 1        | 1          | 0        |
| Korn, 2B                | 3         | 3        | 2        | 1          | 1        | Hammontree, 2B  | 3         | 1        | 1        | 3          | 0        |
| DePoto, SF              | 2         | 1        | 1        | 0          | 0        | Irwin, 2B       | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Marione, SF             | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        | Brannon, 1B     | 3         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Cragg, 1B-C             | 1         | 2        | 1        | 2          | 0        | Joyce, SS       | 2         | 2        | 1        | 2          | 1        |
| Cross, SS               | 3         | 0        | 3        | 3          | 1        | McMorris, RF    | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Congell, LF-P           | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 1        | Bernhart, RF    | 1         | 1        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Bender, CF              | 3         | 0        | 1        | 1          | 0        | Walsh, 3B       | 3         | 2        | 1        | 0          | 2        |
| Cohen, RF-LF            | 3         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        | Ferber, SF      | 3         | 0        | 1        | 2          | 0        |
| Feldman, 5B             | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 1        | Laine, C        | 3         | 0        | 1        | 0          | 2        |
| Zlotnik, RF             | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 0        | Woodard, CF     | 2         | 1        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Merritt, P-3B           | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0          | 2        | Stock, P        | 3         | 1        | 0        | 0          | 0        |
|                         |           |          |          |            |          | A Matthews      | 1         | 1        | 1        | 1          | 0        |
|                         | 24        | 7        | 9        | 7          | 6        |                 | 29        | 11       | 7        | 9          | 5        |

A. Batted for Bernhart in 4th.

Two-base hits: Frame, Cross, Hammontree, Joyce

Struck out: By Merritt, 3; Stock, 3.

Bases on balls: By Merritt, 3; Congell, 1; Stock, 4.

Patients---0 5 1 5 0 11 7 5  
Tilton-----3 3 0 1 0 7 9 6



# MAIL CALL







— PVT. W. J. SAUER